The Iowa Council on Homelessness

CoC Competition Special Issues Iowa Council on Homelessness Executive Committee Meeting October 1, 2015

Detailed information on special CoC issues listed in the agenda for 10/1/2015 meeting:

Project Concern and Humility of Mary Transitional Housing:

These projects scored the same, and the council did not set a tie-breaker policy. Their projects score at the 85% Annual Renewal Demand break HUD set between Tier 1 and Tier 2. Project Concern is currently ranked first in the approved rankings, but only by chance. If they remain first, they will fall into Tier 1, in the current rankings. If placed second, they will fall into Tier 2. Either way, Humility of Mary's Transitional Housing project will be split between Tier 1 and Tier 2, in the current rankings. If Project Concern is ranked first, more of Humility of Mary's project will be in Tier 2, and vice versa. The Executive Committee may leave the rankings as they are, or take action to make a change. Additionally, it may be desirable in the future to adopt a tie-breaker policy.

New project rankings:

For any new projects submitted (for either bonus funds or funds freed through involuntary reallocation), where are they eligible to rank? At the bottom, below all renewals in Tier 2? Or possibly higher in Tier 2, or all the way in Tier 1? Any placement other than at the bottom necessarily displaces other renewal projects to lower rankings.

Appeals for involuntary reallocations and for new project scoring and ranking:

The CoC Committee recommends to the Executive Committee to adopt an appeals process for both involuntary reallocation decisions and for new project scoring and ranking. Further, the CoC Committee recommends that for new project scoring and ranking, the CoC Committee makes the initial determinations, and the Executive Committee handles any appeals. The question is still open regarding who or which committee might handle appeals of involuntary reallocation decisions. For any appeals policy adopted, a process needs to be developed that fits within the required timeline.